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CITY OF BOSTON.

LUNATIC HOSPITAL.



In Common Council, Sept. 22, 1842.

Mr. Amory from the Board of Visiters of the Boston Lunatic Hospital, submitted the following Report and Ordinance, which were read, the Ordinance passed to a second reading, and ordered to be printed for the use of the Council.

Attest, RICHARD G. WAIT, Clerk C. C.

In City Council, Sept. 22, 1842.

The Board of Visiters of the Boston Lunatic Hospital, to whom was "recommitted the Ordinance reported by them, with instructions to prepare and report an Ordinance for the government of that Institution, placing the entire control of all its departments under the sole management of one Superintendent, or such other plan as they may deem best for the interest of said Institution,"—having attended to the subject, ask leave to submit the accompanying Ordinance.

In behalf of the Board,

JONA. CHAPMAN, Chairman.

AN ORDINANCE

Relating to the Boston Lunatic Hospital.

BE it ordained by the Mayor, Aldermen and Common Council of the City of Boston, in City Council assembled, as follows:—

Sect. 1. There shall be chosen annually, a 2 Joint Standing Committee of the City Council, 3 consisting of the Mayor and two members of the 4 Board of Aldermen and four members of the 5 Common Council, who shall be a Board of Visi-6 ters of the Boston Lunatic Hospital.

SECT. 2. There shall be annually chosen by 2 concurrent vote of the City Council, in the month 3 of September or October, a Superintendent; he 4 shall hold his office until another is chosen in his 5 place; he shall be removable at the pleasure of 6 the City Council, and receive such salary as the 7 said Council may fix and determine, and in case 8 of a vacancy in said office, the said Council may 9 at any time proceed forthwith to fill the same.

Sect. 3. The Superintendent, under the di-2 rection of the Board of Visiters, shall have the 3 control of all departments of the Hospital, and of 4 all subordinate officers, attendants and domestics, 5 and of the patients,—and the charge of the 6 grounds, buildings and appurtenances.

Sect. 4. The Board of Visiters shall determine 2 what subordinate officers, attendants and domes-3 tics are necessary, and prescribe such rules for

4 their employment, compensation and discharge, 5 as they shall think proper. They shall have 6 power to make such rules and regulations for the 7 government and management of the Hospital, as 8 they may deem expedient, not inconsistent with 9 this Ordinance or the laws of the Commonwealth. 10 They shall require of the Superintendent to make 11 to them, in the month of July annually, a report 12 of the general state of the Hospital and condition 13 of the inmates during the preceding year, ending 14 the thirtieth day of June, in regard to such par-15 ticulars as they shall direct. And the Board of 16 Visiters shall communicate this report to the City 17 Council, in the month of July in each year, with 18 such further information as they may deem im-19 portant.

Sect. 5. All Ordinances heretofore passed re-2 lating to the Boston Lunatic Hospital, are hereby 3 repealed,—Provided, however, that all officers 4 elected or appointed under the Ordinances here-5 by repealed, shall continue to hold their offices 6 until others are elected or appointed in their 7 stead.